

**Acharya Nagarjuna University**  
**Faculty of Engineering**  
**Academic Regulations 2015 (R15) for B. Tech (Regular)**

(Applicable for the students admitted during the  
Academic Year 2015-2016 and onwards)

**1. Eligibility for Admission:**

Admission to the above program shall be made subject to the eligibility, qualification and specialization prescribed by the University for each program from time to time.

- i. Admission shall be made either on the basis of merit/rank obtained by the qualifying candidates in EAMCET/ECET or otherwise specified, whichever is relevant.

The duration of B.Tech program is of four academic years divided into eight semesters comprising of two semesters in each academic year. A student is required to choose a branch of study at the time of admission. Students under lateral entry will be admitted straightaway into Third semester of B.Tech course in the respective branch. No change of branch shall be allowed after the admissions are closed.

**2. Award of B.Tech. Degree:**

A student will be declared eligible for the award of the B.Tech. degree if he/she fulfils the following academic regulations:

- i. Regular entry students shall pursue a course of study for not less than four academic years and in not more than eight academic years.
- ii. Student's who fail to fulfill all the academic requirements for the award of the degree within eight academic years (for Regular Entry) / six academic years (for Lateral Entry) from the year of their admission, shall forfeit their seat in B.Tech course and their admission is cancelled.

*Completing the course of study shall mean not only satisfying the attendance requirements but also passing of all the subjects within the respective stipulated period*

**3. Branches of study:**

The following Branches of study are offered at present for B. Tech. degree

**S.No. Branch**

1. Civil Engineering
2. Electrical and Electronics Engineering.
3. Mechanical Engineering.
4. Electronics and Communication Engineering
5. Computer Science and Engineering.
6. Chemical Engineering
7. Electronics & Instrument Engineering
8. Information Technology
9. BioTechnology

and any other branch as approved by the authorities of the University from time to time.

Each Branch will have a curriculum with a syllabi that shall consist of the following:

- i. General Core Courses
  1. Basic Sciences
  2. Engineering Sciences
  3. Humanities and social sciences
- ii. Program core courses in Engineering / Technology
- iii. Elective courses of Engineering / Technology / Management Entrepreneurship / Business Communication and allied fields.
- iv. Open Electives/CBCS
- v. Mandatory learning courses
- vi. Project work

#### 4. Credits:

- i. *Academic Year*: Two consecutive (one odd + one even) semesters constitute one academic year.
- ii. *Choice Based Credit System (CBCS)*: The CBCS provides choice for students to select from the prescribed courses (core, elective or minor or soft skill courses).
- iii. *Credit*: A unit by which the course work is measured.

#### 5. Distribution and Weightage of Marks (Internal & External):

- i. The performance of a student in each semester shall be evaluated subject-wise with a maximum of 100 marks for theory and 100 marks for practical subject. In addition internship & project work shall be evaluated for 100 and 200 marks respectively.
- ii. For theory subjects the distribution shall be 40 marks for Internal Evaluation and 60 marks for the External Evaluation.
- iii. There shall be four units in each of the theory subjects.
- iv. For theory subjects, there shall be two midterm examinations during the semester. Each midterm examination shall consist of assignment for 12 marks and sessional test for 18 marks with duration of 120 minutes respectively.

First midterm examination shall be conducted for 50% coverage of syllabus and second midterm examination shall be conducted for remaining 50% of syllabus. Both the midterm exams are compulsory. Final midterm examination marks for a total of 30 marks shall be arrived at, by considering the 80% weightage (24 marks) to that midterm examination in which the student scores more marks and the remaining 20% (6 marks) for other midterm exam.

\*Note 1: The assignment test paper shall contain 5 questions of equal weightage and student is asked to answer any 2 questions randomly and shall be condensed for 12 marks, any fraction rounded off to the next higher mark.

\*Note 2: The sessional examination shall contain 3 questions out of which first question is objective and compulsory and remaining two questions having internal choice and shall be considered for 18 marks, any fraction rounded off to the next higher mark.

\*Note 3: For the remaining 10 marks in internal evaluation, 5 marks allotted for attendance as indicated in CLAUSE(6\_) and the faculty members teaching the subject shall evaluate remaining 5 marks through quiz/online/objective examination at the end of semester.

- V. For theory subjects, there will be 5 questions with following pattern in the End-Examination.
  - a. All Questions have to be answered compulsorily.
  - b. Question I shall contain 12 short Answer questions “a” to “l” each of 1 mark. (Total 12 marks) covering one question from each unit.
  - c. Out of the remaining four questions, EITHER/OR type shall be followed with 12 marks for each.
  - d. In each question as mentioned in (c), one, two or more bits can be set.

- vii. Further, whenever any theory subject with two parts is offered (combined subject), for ex: Electrical & Mechanical Technology, then there shall be only two parts Part A, Part B in the question paper.  
First question objective can be equally divided into two parts.  
Part – A: shall contain two questions, EITHER/OR type shall be followed with 12 marks for each.  
Part – B: shall also contain two questions, EITHER/OR type shall be followed with 12 marks for each.
- viii. Model Question paper for each theory course shall be prepared by the teacher within 15 days from the commencement of the semester and the same shall be forwarded to the Controller of Examinations through the Chairman, BOS concerned.
- ix. For practical subjects there shall be a continuous evaluation during the semester for 40 internal marks and 60 end examination marks. Day-to-day work in the laboratory shall be evaluated for 25 marks by the concerned laboratory teacher based on the report of experiments/jobs( 10 marks for the record submitted and 15 marks for day to day work). The end examination for 15 marks (10 marks for experiment and 5 marks for viva-voce) shall be conducted by the laboratory teacher and another examiner from the same department.
- \*Note: Day to day performance shall be recorded in student record(each experiment carries 15 marks, at least ten experiments should be done and average marks must be taken at the end of semester).
- x. There shall be an audit pass (Mandatory learning Course) course in Human Values & Professional Ethics, Life skills and Advanced Communication Skills lab with no credits. There shall be no external examination. However, attendance in the audit course shall be considered while calculating aggregate attendance and student shall be declared pass in the audit course when he/she secures 40% or more in the internal examinations.
- xi. There shall be an Discipline centric Elective Course through Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) in III year II semester (For EEE, ECE and CSE branches) and in IV year I semester (For Civil, Mechanical and Chemical branches), where in the student shall register the course offered by authorized institutions/Agencies, through online with the approval of Head of the Department. The Certificate issued by the institution/agency after successful completion of the course will be considered for the award of grade to that course.
- xii. For the subject having design and / or drawing, such as Engineering Drawing, Machine Drawing and Estimation, the distribution shall be 40 marks for internal evaluation and 60 marks for end examination. The Internal evaluation will be 20 marks for day-to-day work in the class that shall be evaluated by the concerned subject teacher based on the reports/submissions prepared in the class. Further, there shall be two midterm exams in a Semester for a duration of 2 hrs each, evenly distributed over the syllabi for 20 marks and the average marks of both the mid examinations shall be considered as internal test marks. The sum of day to day evaluation and the internal test marks will be the final internal marks for the subject.
- xiii. There shall internship at the end of III year II Semester. For the internship, the student/institute shall select any organization and a minimum of 4 weeks work must be carried at the organization. A report on work done shall be evaluated by the external supervisor/mentor and department committee. The internship shall be evaluated for 100 marks(60 marks shall be awarded by external supervisor and 40 marks by departmental committee). There shall be no external examination for internship.

A student shall acquire 2 credits assigned to the internship only when he/she secures 40 marks on aggregate out of 100 marks allocated.

- xiv. Out of a total of 200 marks for the project work, 80 marks shall be for Internal Evaluation and 120 marks for the End Semester Examination (Viva-voce). The viva-voce shall be conducted by a committee consisting of Head of the Department, Project Supervisor and an External Examiner nominated by the Principal from the panel of 3 members proposed by Head of the Department. The project work shall start in IV year I semester and shall continue in the semester break. The evaluation of project work shall be conducted at the end of the IV year II semester. The Internal Evaluation shall be made on the basis of weekly progress (a minimum of 12 weeks and 3 marks for each week progress) and at least two seminars (one at the beginning of IV B.Tech II semester (20 marks) and the other before submission of project work(24 marks) given by each student on the topic of his project.
- xv. The laboratory records and internal test papers shall be preserved for minimum of 2 years in the respective departments and shall be produced to the Committees of the college as and when the same are asked for.

**6. Attendance Requirements:**

- i. A student shall be eligible to appear for end examinations if he/she acquires a minimum of 75% of attendance in aggregate of all the subjects in a semester.
- ii. **Shortage of Attendance below 65% in aggregate shall in NO case be condoned.**
- iii. Condonation of shortage of attendance in aggregate up to 10% (65% and above and below 75%) in each semester may be granted by the College Academic Committee.
- iv. Students whose shortage of attendance is not condoned in any semester are not eligible to take their end examination of that class and their registration shall stand cancelled.
- v. A student will not be promoted to the next semester unless he satisfies the attendance requirements of the present semester, as applicable. They may seek readmission for that semester when offered next.
- vi. A stipulated fee shall be payable towards condonation of shortage of attendance to the college.
- vii. A weightage in sessional marks upto a maximum of 5 marks out of 40 marks in each theory subject shall be given for those students who put in a minimum of 75% attendance in the respective subject in a graded manner as indicated below.

Attendance of 90% and above	5marks
Attendance of 85% and above and less than 90%	3marks
Attendance of 80% and above and less than 85%	2marks
Attendance of 75% and above and less than 80%	1mark

**7. Minimum Academic Requirements (For Regular Entry Students):**

The following academic requirements have to be satisfied in addition to the attendance requirements mentioned in item no.6

- i. A student who could not secure a minimum of 50% aggregate from midterm examination marks is not eligible to appear for the semester end examination and shall have to repeat that semester.
- ii. A student shall be deemed to have satisfied the minimum academic requirements and earned the credits allotted to each theory, design, drawing subject or project if he secures not less than 40% of marks in the end examination and a minimum of 50% of marks in the sum total of the internal evaluation and end examination taken together. In the internship & project he/she should secure 40%. For practical examination if he secures not less than 50% of marks in the semester end examination.
- iii. A student shall be promoted from I to II year only if he/she fulfils the academic requirements of attendance and internal marks as stipulated in clause 6 and 7 irrespective of back log subjects in I/IV B.Tech.
- iv. A student shall be promoted from II to III year only if he/she fulfils the academic requirements of attendance and internal marks as stipulated in clause 6 and 7 and also must secure 70% of the credits of the subjects that have been studied up to I year II semester from

irrespective of whether the candidate takes the end examination or not as per the normal course of study. At the time of commencement of class work, he must attain the required credits

- v. A student shall be promoted from third year to fourth year only if he fulfills the academic requirements of attendance and internal marks as stipulated in clause 6 and 7 and also must secure 70% of the credits of the subjects that have been studied upto II year II semester. At the time of commencement of class work, he must attain the required credits

And in case of getting detained for want of credits by sections ii and iii above, the student may make up the credits through supplementary exams of the above exams before the date of class work commencement of Third or Fourth year I semester respectively.

**8. Minimum Academic Requirements (For Lateral Entry Students):**

The following academic requirements have to be satisfied in addition to the attendance requirements mentioned in item no.6

- i. A student shall be deemed to have satisfied the minimum academic requirements and earned the credits allotted to each theory, practical, design, drawing subject or project if he secures not less than 40% of marks in the end examination and a minimum of 50% of marks in the sum total of the internal evaluation and end examination taken together. In the Seminar & Comprehensive viva-voce he/she should secure 40%.
- ii. A student who could not secure a minimum of 50% aggregate from midterm examination marks is not eligible to appear for the semester end examination and shall have to repeat that semester.
- iii. A student shall be promoted from II to III year only if he/she fulfils the academic requirements of attendance and internal marks as stipulated in clause 6 and 7 irrespective of back log subjects in II/IV B.Tech
- iv. A student shall be promoted from III to IV year only if he/she fulfils the academic requirement of attendance and internal marks as stipulated in clause 6 and 7 and also must secure 70% of the subjects that have been studied up to III year I semester from

**9. Grading:**

After each subject is evaluated for 100 marks, the marks obtained in each subject will be converted to a corresponding letter grade as given below, depending on the range in which the marks obtained by the student fall.

**Table – Conversion into Grades and Grade Points assigned**

Range in which the marks in the subject fall	Grade	Grade points assigned
≥ 90	O (Outstanding)	10
80-89	A+ (Excellent)	9
70-79	A (Very Good)	8
60-69	B+ (Good)	7
50-59	B (Above Average)	6
45-49	C (Average)	5
40-44	D (Pass)	4
< 40	F (Fail)	0
Absent	Ab (Absent)	0

- i. A student obtaining Grade F shall be considered failed and will be required to reappear for that subject when the next supplementary examination offered.
- ii. For non credit courses ‘Satisfactory’ or ‘Unsatisfactory’ shall be indicated instead of the letter grade and this will not be counted for the computation of SGPA/CGPA.

### 9.1. Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA) and Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA):

- i. The Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA) is the ratio of sum of the product of the number of credits with the grade points scored by a student in all the courses taken by a student and the sum of the number of credits of all the courses undergone by a student, i.e.

$$SGPA = \frac{\sum (C_i \times G_i)}{\sum C_i}$$

Where,  $C_i$  is the number of credits of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  subject and  $G_i$  is the grade point scored by the student in the  $i^{\text{th}}$  course.

- ii. The Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) will be computed in the same manner taking into account all the courses undergone by a student over all the semesters of a program, i.e.

$$CGPA = \frac{\sum (C_i \times S_i)}{\sum C_i}$$

Where 'S<sub>i</sub>' is the SGPA of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  semester and  $C_i$  is the total number of credits in that semester.

- iii. Both SGPA and CGPA shall be rounded off to 2 decimal points and reported in the transcripts.
- iv. While computing the GPA/CGPA the subjects in which the student is awarded Zero grade points will also be included.

*Grade Point:* It is a numerical weight allotted to each letter grade on a 10-point scale.

*Letter Grade:* It is an index of the performance of students in a said course. Grades are denoted by letters O, A+, A, B+, B, C, P and F.

### 10. Gap - Year:

Gap Year – concept of Student Entrepreneur in Residence shall be introduced and outstanding students who wish to pursue entrepreneurship are allowed to take a break of one year at any time after I year/II year/III year to pursue entrepreneurship full time. This period may be extended to two years at the most and these two years would not be counted for the time for the maximum time for graduation. An evaluation committee shall be constituted to evaluate the proposal submitted by the student and the committee shall decide on permitting the student for having the Gap Year.

### 11. Transitory Regulations:(old regulations changed)

1. Candidates who admitted into the four year B.Tech degree course under R-15 regulations but who got detained in any year for want of attendance/minimum aggregate sessional marks may join the appropriate year /semester in the semester system applicable for that batch and be governed by the regulations of that batch from then onwards unless otherwise specified.
2. A student admitted under credit based regulations(CR) detained due to lack of sessional marks/attendance at the end of the first semester of II/IV B.Tech shall join II/IV first semester for R-15 batch . Such students will study all the courses prescribed for that R-15 in which the student joins. However the student has to clear all the first year backlog subjects by appearing the supplementary examination. Such candidates will be governed by the regulations applicable to lateral entry candidates of R-15 batch for the award of the degree.
3. A student admitted under CR, detained due to lack of sessional marks/attendance at the end of the second semester of II/IV B.Tech /at the end of subsequent semesters shall follow the credit based regulations only (CR).

### 12. With-holding of results:

If the candidate has any dues not paid to the college or if any case of indiscipline or malpractice is pending against him, the result of the candidate shall be withheld and he will not be allowed / promoted into the next higher semester. The issue of awarding degree is liable to be withheld in such cases.

### 13. Award of Class:

After a student has satisfied the requirements prescribed for the completion of the program and is eligible for the award of B. Tech. Degree he shall be placed in one of the following four classes:

Class Awarded	CGPA Secured
First Class with Distinction	$\geq 8.0$
First Class	$\geq 6.5 < 8.0$
Second Class	$\geq 5.5 < 6.5$
Pass Class	$\geq 4.0 < 5.5$

### 14. Minimum Instruction Days:

The minimum instruction period for a semester is 16 weeks. The minimum instruction days including exams for each semester shall be for 90 days.

15. There shall be no branch transfers after the completion of admission process.

### 16. General:

- i. The academic regulations should be read as a whole for purpose of any interpretation.
- ii. Malpractice rules - nature and punishments is appended
- iii. Where the words “he”, “him”, “his”, occur in the regulations, they include “she”, “her”, “hers”.
- iv. In the case of any doubt or ambiguity in the interpretation of the above rules, the decision of the BOS is final.
- v. The University may from time to time, revise, amend or change the Regulations, Schemes of Examinations, and/or Syllabi.

### 17. Conduct and discipline

Students shall conduct themselves within and outside the premises of the institute in a manner befitting the students of our institution.

(b) As per the order of Honourable Supreme Court of India, ragging in any form is considered as a criminal offence and is banned. Any form of ragging will be severely dealt with.

(c) The following acts of omission and / or commission shall constitute gross violation of the code of conduct and are liable to invoke disciplinary measures with regard to ragging.

- (i) Lack of courtesy and decorum, indecent behavior anywhere within or outside the campus.
- (ii) Willful damage of college / individual property
- (iii) Possession, consumption or distribution of alcoholic drinks or any kind of narcotics or hallucinogenic drugs.
- (iv) Mutilation or unauthorized possession of library books.
- (v) Noisy and unseemly behavior, disturbing studies of fellow students.
- (vi) Hacking of computer systems (such as entering into other person’s areas without prior permission, manipulation and / or damage of computer hardware and software or any other cyber-crime etc.)
- (vii) Usage of camera / cell phone in the campus
- (viii) Plagiarism of any nature
- (ix) Any other acts of gross indiscipline as decided by the academic council from time to time.

(d) Commensurate with the gravity of offense, the punishment may be reprimand, fine, expulsion from the institute / hostel, debar from examination, disallowing the use of certain facilities of the institute, rustication for a specified period or even outright

expulsion from the institute or even handing over the case to appropriate law enforcement or the judiciary, as required by the circumstances.

(e) For an offence committed in (i) a hostel (ii) a department or in a class room and (iii) elsewhere, the chief warden, the head of the department and the principal respectively, shall have the authority to reprimand or impose fine.

(f) Cases of adoption of unfair means and / or any malpractice in an examination shall be reported to the principal for taking appropriate action.

(g) All cases of serious offence, possibly requiring punishment other than reprimand, shall be reported to the academic council.

(h) The institute level standing disciplinary action committee constituted by the academic council shall be the authority to investigate the details of the offence, and recommend disciplinary action based on the nature and extent of the offence committed.

(i) The principal shall deal with any academic problem, which is not covered under these rules and regulations, in consultation with the programmes committee in an appropriate manner, and subsequently such actions shall be placed before the academic council for ratification. Any emergency modification of regulation, approved by the appropriate authority, shall be reported to the academic council for ratification.

(j) "Grievance and Redressal Committee" (General) constituted by the Principal shall deal with all grievances pertaining to the academic / administrative / disciplinary matters

### 18. Punishments for Malpractice Cases - Guidelines

The examinations committee may take the following guidelines into consideration while dealing with the suspected cases of malpractice reported by the invigilators/squad members etc; during end examinations. The punishment may be more severe or less severe depending on the merits of the individual cases.

S. No	Nature of Malpractices/Improper conduct	Punishment
1.	Possesses or keeps accessible in examination hall, any paper, note book, programmable calculators, Cell phones, pager, palm computers or any other form of material concerned with or related to the subject of the examination (theory or practical) in which he is appearing but has not made use of (material shall include any marks on the body of the student which can be used as an aid in the subject of the examination)	Expulsion from the examination hall and cancellation of the performance in that subject only.
2.	Uses objectionable, abusive or offensive language in the answer paper or in letters to the examiners or writes to the examiner requesting him to award pass marks.	Cancellation of the performance in that subject.
3.	Copying detected on the basis of internal evidence, such as, during valuation or during special scrutiny.	Cancellation of the performance in that subject and all other subjects the candidate has appeared including practical examinations and project work of that semester/year examinations.



4.	Gives assistance or guidance or receives it from any other student orally or by any other body language methods or communicates through cell phones with any other student or persons in or outside the exam hall in respect of any matter.	Expulsion from the examination hall and cancellation of the performance in that subject only of all the students involved. In case of an outsider, he will be handed over to the police and a case is registered against him.
5.	Has copied in the examination hall from any paper, book, programmable calculators, palm computers or any other form of material relevant to the subject of the examination (theory or practical) in which the student is appearing.	Expulsion from the examination hall and cancellation of the performance in that subject and all other subjects including practical examinations and project work of that semester/year.
6.	Comes in a drunken condition to the examination hall.	Expulsion from the examination hall and cancellation of the performance in that subject and all other subjects including practical examinations and project work of that semester/year.
7.	Smuggles in the Answer book or takes out or arranges to send out the question paper during the examination or answer book during or after the examination	Expulsion from the examination hall and cancellation of performance in that subject and all the other subjects including practical examinations and project work of that semester/year. The student is also debarred for two consecutive semesters from class work and all examinations. The continuation of the course by the student is subject to the academic regulations in connection with forfeiture of seat.
8.	Refuses to obey the orders of the Chief Superintendent/Assistant – Superintendent / any officer on duty or misbehaves or creates disturbance of any kind in and around the examination hall or organizes a walk out or instigates others to walk out, or threatens the officer-in charge or any person on duty in or outside the examination hall of any injury to his person or to any of his relations whether by words, either spoken or written or by signs or by visible representation, assaults the officer-in-charge, or any person on duty in or outside the examination hall or any of his relations, or indulges in any other act of misconduct or mischief which result in damage to or destruction of property in the examination hall or any part of the College campus or engages in any other act which in the opinion of the officer on duty amounts to use of unfair means or misconduct or has the tendency to disrupt the orderly conduct of the examination.	In case of students of the college, they shall be expelled from examination halls and cancellation of their performance in that subject and all other subjects of that semester/year. The students also are debarred and forfeit their seats. In case of outsiders, they will be handed over to the police and a police case is registered against them.

9.	Leaves the exam hall taking away answer script or intentionally tears of the script or any part thereof inside or outside the examination hall.	Expulsion from the examination hall and cancellation of performance in that subject and all the other subjects including practical examinations and project work of that semester/year. The candidate is also debarred for two consecutive semesters from class work and all University examinations. The continuation of the course by the candidate is subject to the academic regulations in connection with forfeiture of seat.
10.	Possesses any lethal weapon or firearm in the examination hall.	Expulsion from the examination hall and cancellation of the performance in that subject and all other subjects including practical examinations and project work of that semester/year. The student is also debarred and forfeits the seat.
11.	If student of the college, who is not a candidate for the particular examination or any person not connected with the college indulges in any malpractice or improper conduct mentioned in clause 7 to 9.	For Student of the college: Expulsion from the examination hall and cancellation of the performance in that subject and all other subjects including practical examinations and project work of that semester/year. The candidate is also debarred and forfeits the seat. Person(s) who do not belong to the College will be handed over to police and, a police case will be registered against them.
12.	Impersonates any other student in connection with the examination	The student who has impersonated shall be expelled from examination hall. The student is debarred from writing the remaining exams, and rusticated from the college for one academic year during which period the student will not be permitted to write any exam. If the imposter is an outsider, he will be handed over to the police and a case is registered against him. The performance of the original student who has been impersonated, shall be cancelled in all the subjects of the examination including practicals and project work of that semester/year. The student is rusticated from the college for two consecutive years during which period the student will not be permitted to write any exam. The continuation of the course by the student is subject to the academic regulations in connection with forfeiture of seat

13.	If any malpractice is detected which is not covered in the above clauses 1 to 12 it shall be reported to the college academic council for further action to award suitable punishment.
14.	Malpractice cases identified during sessional examinations will be reported to the examination committee nominated by Academic council to award suitable punishment.